GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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FIXATION OF MSP FOR FRUIT AND VEGETABLE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the state producing maximum fruits and vegetables in the country;

(b) the production of fruits and vegetables during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the details of per capita availability of fruits and vegetables in the country;

(d) whether there has been enormous increase in the prices of fruits and vegetables;

(e) if so, whether the Government have fixed Minimum Support Prices (MSP) of fruits and vegetables especiallyof potatoes and onion;

(f) the name of the State which has asked for financial assistance for becoming self reliant in production of fruits and vegetables; and

(g) the steps being taken by the Government to increase production of fruits and vegetables?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): Maharashtra is the largest producer of fruits and West Bengal is the largest producer of vegetables in the country.

(b): The State-wise details of production of fruits and vegetables during each of the last three years isgiven in the statement at Annexure-I.

(c): The per capita availability of fruits and vegetables in the country is estimated to be 85 grams/day and 175 grams/day respectively.

(d) & (e): The price trend of fruits and vegetables in Metropolitan Cities/Markets during last threeyears does not show enormous increase in the price of fruits and vegetables. The Government has not fixed any Minimum Support Price for fruits and vegetables including potato and onion.

(f) & (g): Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture –Supplementation/Complementation of State Efforts through work Plan assistance is being extended to thefarmers for various activities including development of fruits and vegetables. The scheme is being implemented in all States and UTs. The Scheme provides flexibility to the State Governments to priorities their activities as per their felt needs. Under the scheme, assistance is provided for activities like supply of good quality planting material through nurseries, establishment of seed villages, coverage of area with improved varieties, technology dissemination through training of farmers, creation of infrastructural facilities like disease forecasting units, plant health clinics, leaf/tissue analysis labs, on farm handling of produce and mechanization.

Annexure 1

STATE-WISE PRODUCTION OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES IN THE COUNTRY

(Production: 000` MT)

		FRUITS			VEGETABLES		
S.No	States/UTs	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01
1	Andhra Pradesh	4589.6	5175.4	5003.4	3541.2	2839.1	3147.7
2	Arunachal Pradesh	91.6	93.1	123.1	80.9	80.9	83.7
3	Assam	1249.4	1247.1	1293.8	2834.8	3089.4	2693.1
4	Bihar	3797.2	3870.7	3237.5	9418.4	9548.8	10219.7
5	Jharkhand	-	-	265.1	-	-	2109.5
6	Goa	98.9	99.0	71.5	70.0	70.0	76.0
7	Gujarat	2293.5	2376.0	2268.2	3255.0	2647.0	3070.8
8	Haryana	192.4	212.0	232.0	1850.0	2094.5	2191.5
9	Himachal Pradesh	448.1	87.5	438.3	606.4	660.9	734.2

10 Jammu & Kashmir 881.1 1021.0 837.3 606.9 584.4 757.9
11 Karnataka 5446.3 5456.1 4819.5 4944.9 6796.9 5763.0
12 Kerala 1621.2 1184.4 1772.6 2857.2 2857.1 2530.9
13 Madhya Pradesh 1374.4 1536.1 1740.4 3276.2 3632.0 3501.9
14 Chattisgarh - - 154.3 - - 1146.3
15 Maharashtra 7521.7 8688.5 8680.8 4479.5 4828.6 5142.0
16 Manipur 115.3 118.1 118.7 45.0 53.1 67.4
17 Meghalaya 186.4 223.3 186.9 308.7 252.9 303.6
18 Mizoram 76.8 40.7 66.7 62.4 56.3 47.3
19 Nagaland 152.0 232.3 290.4 313.3 235.7 253.6
20 Orissa 1718.4 1202.9 1284.4 10087.1 9096.0 8089.1
21 Punjab 844.7 418.6 479.7 1906.3 2285.0 2310.0
22 Rajasthan 310.3 339.3 339.3 396.1 472.6 386.4
23 Sikkim 8.3 8.6 10.0 42.2 43.0 59.7
24 Tamil Nadu 5447.6 5939.6 6237.7 5704.8 5660.3 6011.0
25 Tripura 372.1 372.1 450.8 232.8 232.8 328.1
26 Uttar Pradesh 3097.8 3210.5 2713.0 12680.6 13842.4 13030.4
27 Uttranchal 520.4 475.5 541.0 840.7 733.2 1138.1
28 West Bengal 1536.0 1816.1 1656.5 16367.4 17413.8 17779.4
29 Andaman & 16.7 16.7 16.7 15.8 15.8 15.8

Nicobar Island
30 Chandigarh 1.2 1.9 1.1 11.5 1.2 1.7
31 Dadra & Nagar 7.1 7.1 7.1 13.5 13.5 13.5
Haveli
32 Daman & Diu 3.4 3.4 3.4 1.0 1.1 1.1
33 Delhi 1.0 0.1 1.0 651.9 651.9 862.7
34 Lakshadweep 0.7 1.3 1.1 - 0.2 0.2
35 Pondicherry 20.8 20.1 26.7 33.5 32.6 54.2
Total 44042.4 45495.9 45370.0 87536.0 90823.0 93921.5